

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (currently amended): A method for visually organizing collections of annotated Web-based documents, comprising the steps of:

(a) receiving a plurality of annotated documents, each of the annotated documents including a Web-based document associated with corresponding annotation data;

(b) including attributes ~~or indicia of attributes~~ of the annotation data in at least one searchable index, wherein the attributes are not user-definable;

(c) searching for at least one of the attributes in the at least one searchable index to obtain a set of annotated documents that is a subset of the plurality of annotated documents; and

(d) displaying a thumbnail image for at least one annotated document in the obtained set of annotated documents.

2 (currently amended): The method according to claim 1, wherein the attributes include at least one of ~~an annotation element~~, a time and date of an annotation event, and an author of the annotated document, ~~a predefined category, a set of text-based comments, and a Website associated with the annotated document.~~

3 (canceled)

4 (currently amended): The method according to claim 1, wherein the attributes include at least ~~one of ink mark colors, highlight mark colors, and ink mark shapes~~ a Website associated with the annotated document.

5 (previously presented): The method according to claim 1, wherein the obtained set of annotated documents includes at least two documents and a thumbnail image is displayed for each annotated document in the obtained set of annotated documents.

6 (canceled)